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TOWN OFFICERS.

Town Clerk,
WILLIAM S. NELSON.

Selectmen,
PLUMMER B. CORSON,
JAMES F. GOVE,
AARON W. BROWN.

Town Treasurer,
FORREST E. PAGE.

Collector of Taxes,
EDGAR T. BROWN.

Representative to the General Court,
GEORGE H. GUPTILL.

Board of Education,
EDGAR T. BROWN,
JOHN B. BROWN,
GEORGE B. SAWYER.

Road Agent,
HORACE A. BROWN.

Water Commissioners,
JOHN T. BARTLETT,
O. W. FELLOWS,
TRUE M. GOULD.

Supervisors of Check List,
GEORGE L. CORSON,
SHERBURN GOVE,
ANDREW C. SMITH.

Auditors,
WESLEY POORE,
IRVIN FOLSOM.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Raymond, qualified to vote in town affairs, you are hereby notified to meet at the town house in said town on the second Tuesday of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1st. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

2d. To choose three Selectmen for the ensuing year.

3d. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

4th. To choose a Collector of Taxes for the ensuing year and fix compensation for collecting.

5th. To choose a Road Agent for the ensuing year.

6th. To choose a Water Commissioner for the ensuing three years and fix the compensation of the board per year.

7th. To choose two Auditors for the ensuing year and all other necessary town officers.

8th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance of the poor, for support of schools, for laying out and repairing highways, and for building and repairing bridges, and for all other necessary charges arising within the town.

9th. To see what sum the town will vote to raise towards paying the money borrowed to pay Water debt.

10th. To see if the town will vote to extend the water system along the Harriman road, so called, and if so to what point.

11th. To see if the town will vote to extend the water system over the highway recently laid out past the dwelling of T. W. Davis.

12th. To see if the town will vote to require the proprietors of the Concord & Portsmouth Railroad to erect and maintain gates at their crossing in Raymond Village, agreeably to Section 15, Chapter 159 of the Public Statutes.

13th. To choose a trustee of the Library for the ensuing three years.

14th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise above what the law requires for the support of the Library.

15th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay the Fire company.

16th. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of twenty-five dollars to pay for winding and keeping in repair the clock on the Congregational Meeting house.

17th. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars for Memorial day.

Given under our hands and seal this twentieth day of February, A. D., 1897.

PLUMMER B. CORSON,
JAMES F. GOVE,
AARON W. BROWN,
} Selectmen of Raymond.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

VALUATION.

Number of polls, 347	$ 34,700 00
Real Estate	315,054 00
Number of horses, 254	14,915 00
Number of oxen, 20	1,038 00
Number of cows, 241	6,254 00
Number of other neat stock, 28	920 00
Number of sheep, 112	555 00
Money on hand	1,330 00
Stock in trade	30,970 00
Mills,	5,500 00
	$411,236 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

For State tax	$ 960 00
County tax	1,012 22
Support of schools	2,000 00
Highways and bridges	1,600 00
Electric lights	500 00
Fire company	150 00
Supplies for fire company	500 00
Repairing and winding clock on Cong. M. H.	75 00
For library	100 00
Support of poor	300 00
Town charges	300 00
Memorial day	50 00
School house repairs	100 00
Overlay	177 36
	$7,824 58

RECEIPTS.

Received of the county of Rockingham	$821 51
Received of the State Savings bank tax	994 67
Received of the State R. R. tax	142 09
Received of the State Literary fund	108 50
Received from bounties on hawks	7 50
Received from sale of lots in Pine Grove cemetery	60 00
Received from Nat Tasker for rent	10 00
Received for sale of standing grass	2 60
Received of A. W. Brown for lead and oil	12 21
Received of town of Deerfield for T. W. Sanborn	66 81
Received of D. A. Smart for apples	3 00
Received for rent of town hall	3 00
Received of borrowed money	5,000 00
	$7,231 89

EXPENDITURES.

Outstanding bills.	
George B. Sawyer, balance of school money for 1895	$254 94
William A. Elliott, balance in full for road agent, 1895	35 30
E. T. Brown, services as collector, 1895	125 00
P. C. Fontain, team and expenses to move John H. Healey to Deerfield	5 00
G. C. Blaisdell, in full, for collecting in 1893	25 00
	$445 24

TOWN CHARGES.

Paid A. W. Brown, trip to Portsmouth	$ 2 00
A. W. Brown, making key to town house	50
A. W. Brown, postage stamps	10
A. W. Brown, for services as Selectman in full to March 10, 1896	11 50
P. B. Corson, for services in full to March 10, 1896	13 00
Postage stamps	~~54 00~~ 54
James F. Gove, for services in full to March 10, 1896	10 00

Paid George W. Shepard, for board of Selectmen	9	70
Wesley Poore, for services as auditor	2	00
George L. Corson, for services as auditor	2	00
C. J. Whitting, stationery	2	20
A. W. Brown, for board	13	80
J. W. Roberts, boating	5	90
George E. McClure, boating	12	50
Portsmouth Times, printing town report	44	00
Portsmouth Times, printing check lists	12	00
John W. Roberts, services as police 8 weeks	8	00
Paid W. J. Dudley, insurance on hearse and house	10	00
Wm. H. Bailey, note and interest	1,005	33
Edson C. Eastman, collector's book	1	50
John W. Roberts, services as police 8 1-2 weeks	8	50
Putting up eleven tramps	2	75
A. W. Brown, in part, as services	20	00
Albert L. Mills, hardware	1	05
Albert B. Roberts, police July 4	2	00
George E. McClure, police July 4	2	00
John S. Lane, burying horse	3	00
John W. Roberts, police 8 weeks	8	00
Clark J. Davis, police July 4	2	00
J. W. Dodge, repairing fence on common		96
George L. Corson, repairing town hall	7	33
Manchester Hardware Co., lead and oil	39	47
Charles Poore, freight bill	1	62
J. W. Dodge, hardware and paint	1	12
Amos P. Shaw, repairing town hall	7	48
John B. Varick & Co., bell rope	1	54
Temple & Farrington & Co., invoice book town clerk	13	00
Daniel Batchelder, painting town house	35	00
John W. Roberts, 17 weeks police	17	00
John W. Roberts, election day	1	50
Gilman E. Gile, supervisor	10	00
A. W. Brown, in part, services	20	00
H. B. Ladd, painting and repairing hearse	30	00
George B. Sawyer, services in part	15	00
J. F. Gove, in part for services	40	00
T. M. Gould, recording births and deaths	3	50
D. C. Healey, note and interest in full	1,531	25
Fellows & Rowell, oil and pitcher for lockup	1	28
John W. Roberts, 8 weeks police	8	00

Paid John W. Roberts, for putting up 24 tramps	6 00
A. W. Brown, trip to county farm	1 50
A. W. Brown, trip A. R. Batchelder to take affidavit of Sawain	50
One day repairing town hall	1 50
Election day and night	1 50
Repairing table	1 00
Making key for town hall	50
John T. Bartlett, services as moderator two years	12 00
George B. Sawyer, services on school board in full	20 00
Wm. S. Nelson, services as town clerk	50 00
Wm. S. Nelson, recording births and deaths	7 65
Wm. S. Nelson, stationery, postage and books	3 50
George H. Guptill, recording births and deaths	7 00
C. W. Prescott, hardware and lumber	1 34
P. B. Corson, 2 cords wood town hall	6 00
Benj. F. Poore, supervisor	10 00
Benj. F. Poore, appointing auditors	50
John H. Smith, ballot clerk	3 00
P. B. Corson, services in part	40 00
J. W. Dodge, stove pipe, &c.	6 62
George E. McClure, police election day	1 50
Mark Scribner, ballot clerk 2 years	6 00
John B. Brown, services on school board	25 00
John W. Robie, sawing wood	1 25
A. W. Brown, repairing and painting runners for hearse	6 00
James F. Gove, for services in full to Feb. 15, 1897	7 00
Horse three days taking invoice	3 00
E. T. Brown, collector of taxes in full for 1896	125 00
E. T. Brown, services on school board	25 00
E. T. Brown, 26 trips with hearse	37 70
F. E. Page, services as treasurer	40 00
A. W. Brown, horse two days, taking inventory	2 00
A. W. Brown, preparing rope for bell on town house	50
A. W. Brown, recording taxes	3 00
A. W. Brown, services as selectman in full to Feb. 15, 1897	15 00
P. B. Corson, trip to Portsmouth to settle pauper claim	3 00
P. B. Corson, two trips to Exeter for the same purpose	5 00

Paid P. B. Corson, one trip to Concord to settle state tax	3 00
P. B. Corson, horse three days taking inventory	3 00
P. B. Corson, services as selectman in full to Feb. 15, 1897	20 00
C. J. Whitting, stationery	1 35
Andrew R. Batchelder, supervisor	5 00
Wm. G. Brown, note and interest in full	512 22
Elbridge Greenleaf, note and interest in full	564 88
	$4605 43

COUNTY POOR.

W. J. Dudley, 2 cords of wood furnished John W. Furbush	$ 7 00
G. H. Guptil, medical aid to Rachel Morrison	3 75
Medical aid to Sylvester S. Smart	3 00
M. S. Currier, care of E. H. Roberts	1 50
Ballou & Page, goods furnished to Samuel Rand	18 00
Ballou & Page, goods furnished to Rachel Morrison	12 00
Ballou & Page, goods furnished to G. W. Titcomb	18 00
J. W. Dodge, goods furnished to John W. Furbush	12 00
J. W. Dodge, goods furnished to J. V. B. Dearborn	12 00
P. B. Corson, 1 1-2 cords wood furnished to J. V. B. Dearborn	3 50
John H. Smith, goods furnished to Julia Tilton	18 00
T. M. Gould, medical services to Frank St. John	5 00
G. H. Guptil, medical services to Rachel Morrison	10 00
G. H. Guptil, medical aid to Flora Pearsons	5 50
G. H. Guptil, medical aid to Samuel Rand	3 50
P. B. Corson, 2 cords wood furnished to J. V. B. Dearborn	4 25
John H. Smith, goods furnished Julia Tilton	40 50
D. W. Whittier, clothing for Frank St. John's boys	6 00
J. W. Dodge, goods furnished to J. V. B. Dearborn	15 00
J. W. Dodge, goods furnished to G. W. Titcomb	4 50
P. B. Corson, trip to county farm with Isaac Sweeny	1 50
Wm. H. Bailey, assignee of Ballou & Page, goods furnished to Samuel Rand	5 01
Wm. H. Bailey, assignee of Ballou & Page, goods furnished to G. W. Titcomb	5 89

Wm. S. Nelson, goods furnished G. W. Titcomb	19 00
Wm. S. Nelson, goods furnished to Samuel Rand	40 50
T. M. Gould, medical aid to Frank St. John	19 00
T. M. Gould, medical aid to Glover child	6 00
T. M. Gould, medical aid to Almira J. Brown	10 50
B. O. Tilton, goods furnished Rachel Morrison	35 00
Wm. S. Nelson, goods furnished Samuel Rand	19 50
C. W. Prescott, goods furnished Frank St. John	5 70
C. W. Prescott, goods furnished G. W. Titcomb	28 00
C. W. Prescott, goods furnished J. V. B. Dearborn	28 00
Wm. S. Nelson, goods furnished G. W. Titcomb	6 50
P. B. Corson, 3 2-8 cords wood furnished J. V. B. Dearborn	9 00
P. B. Corson, 3 cords wood furnished John W. Furbush	7 00
John H. Smith, goods furnished Julia Tilton	19 50
G. H. Guptil, medial aid to Rachel Morrison	7 50
G. H. Guptil, medical aid to Samuel Rand	1 25
	$477 35

COUNTY AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

John McGall, sawing wood for Josiah R. West	$4 50
E. T. Brown, one ton coal delivered to James K. Blye	7 00
J. W. Dodge, goods furnished to J. R. West	12 00
J. W. Dodge, goods furnished to James K. Blye	24 00
A. W. Brown, 1 cord pine wood J. R. West	1 50
T. M. Gould, medical aid to James K. Blye	7 00
Barnes & Fellows, goods furnished D. W. Coffin	24 00
Andrew R. Batchelder, wood furnished D. W. Coffin	5 75
Andrew R. Batchelder, goods furnished J. R. West	60 00
T. M. Gould, medical aid to J. R. West	3 00
John McGall, sawing 1 1-2 cords wood for J. R. West	1 25
P. B. Corson, 2 3-4 cords wood furnished J. R. West	4 63
P. B. Corson, 1 1-2 cords wood furnished D. W. Coffin	4 00
G. H. Guptil, medical aid to D. W. Coffin and family	21 00
A. W. Brown, 2 1-2 cords wood furnished J. R. West	7 62
J. W. Dodge, goods furnished James K. Blye	22 00
J. W. Dodge, goods furnished J. R. West	10 33
Fellows & Rowell, goods furnished D. W. Coffin	86 00
P. B. Corson, 3 1-2 cords wood furnished J. R. West	10 00

P. B. Corson, 3 1-2 cords wood furnished D. W. Coffin	12 25
A. R. Batchelder, goods furnished J. R. West	26 00
	$451 14

TOWN AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS.

P. B. Corson, 11 ft. hard wood furnished T. W. Sanborn	$4 81
T. M. Gould, medical aid to T. W. Sanborn	30 00
T. M. Gould, medical aid to T. W. Sanborn	5 00
Fellows & Rowell, goods furnished T. W. Sanborn	58 00
Whittier & Corson, wood furnished T. W. Sanborn	3 50
Wm. H. Bailey, assignee of Ballou and Page, goods furnished Orin West	1 67
Wm. H. Bailey, assignee of Ballou & Page, goods furnished Orin Bean	18 00
Wm. S. Nelson, goods furnished Orin West	13 91
C. W. Prescott, goods furnished Orin Bean	15 00
C. W. Prescott, goods furnished Orin West	31 00
G. H. Guptil, medical aid to Orin West	8 50
P. B. Corson, wood, 9 cords and 3 ft. furnished Orin West	26 73
	$216 12

SCHOOL MONEY.

George B. Sawyer	$1,862 50

SCHOOLHOUSE REPAIRS.

George B. Sawyer	$100 00

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

George B. Sawyer	$201 99

ABATEMENTS.

G. C. Blaisdell, collector 1892	$12 92
G. C. Blaisdell, collector 1893	58 68
H. B. Ladd, collector 1894	
Andrew J. Gleason, poll	1 75
Edward Merrill, paid in Pittsfield	1 75
Napoleon Martell	1 75
Antonio Martell, poll and horses	7 00
Owen R. Roberts, water trough 1895	3 00
S. S. Moody, highway	2 12
Gilman E. Gile, cow under age	34
John Eaton, highway 1895	1 92
H. G. Whittier, highway 1895	5 47
Wm. A. Elliott, loss of horse	1 13
H. G. Whittier, highway 1896	8 24
Jonn L. Folsom, overtax	1 90
M. V. B. Gile, watering trough	3 00
Charles S. Shepard, overtax	7 60
Warren Titcomb, over 70	1 90
Lewis Morrison, cow under age	48
Mark Scribner, highway tax	5 68
John H. Dodge, watering trough	3 00
Joseph E. Prescott, watering trough	2 00
George W. Shepard, loss of horse	48
Benj. F. Poore, watering trough	3 00
T. F. McClure, highway tax	3 48
James F. Gove, watering trough	3 00
Charles W. Scribner, highway	5 16
John Eaton, highway	3 52
H. G. McClure, highway	3 12
E. T. Brown, collector, 1896	
George W. Brown, poll	1 90
George Bartlett, Jr., poll	1 90
Richard Clough, poll	1 52
William Coney, paid in Derry	1 90
Warren Coma, poll	1 90
George Davis, under age	1 90
Charles A. Dodge, paid in Candia	1 90
Arthur A. Davis, paid in Henniker	1 90
Frank W. Fellows, paid in Manchester	1 90
William Kilpatrick, under age	1 90
Fred Lark	1 90

J. W. Quimby, paid in Candia	1 90
Lewis S. Stevens	1 90
John B. Stevens, in jail	1 90
Charles Simpson, paid Deerfield	1 90
Henry Wilbur, soldier	1 90
Alvi Whittier, paid in Newburyport, Mass.	1 90
R. D. Whittier, paid in Deerfield	1 90
T. B. Whittier, paid in Epping	1 90
Williard E. Porter	1 90
	$191 01

ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Paid Charles A. Fox	$445 02
State tax	960 00
County tax	1,012 22

WATER WORKS.

Paid bill approved by water commissioners	$2,338 54
Interest on note and water bonds	952 00
	$3,290 54

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Wm. A. Elliott, road agent	$ 30 00
P. B. Corson, 3970 ft. oak plank	59 55
H. A. Brown, road agent	2,490 03
	$2,579 58

DAMAGE BY DOGS.

Paid J. W. Roberts for horse hire after dog license	8 50
Blake Roberts, damage to cow	10 00
	$18 50

BOUNTIES.

Paid Will B Gile, 1 hawk	25
M. H. Roberts, 4 hawks	1 00
A. W. Brown, 16 hawks	4 00
Blake Roberts, 4 hawks	1 00
P. B. Corson, 8 hawks	2 00
George H. Thurson, 1 hawk	25
	$8.50

PINE GROVE CEMETERY.

Paid J. S. Whittier, shovelling snow from tomb	$1 00
To labor on R. Richard Clay's lot, 1896	2 50
Care of Sophia P. Bullar's lot	1 00
A. E. Packard, stock and labor painting cemetery fence	22 00
Sherburn Gove, 1 day's labor	1 50
Gideon Currier, care of C. W. Lane's lot and R. Richard Clay's lot	2 00
	$30 00

FIRE COMPANY.

Paid A. W. Brown, for repairing ladder	$ 2 50
John W. Prescott, clerk of Torrent Hose Co.	132 00
David W. Whittier, 2 dozen pairs mittens	8 50
A. W. Brown, freight on hose	63
D. J. Whittier, straps for Fire Co.	2 60
	$146 23

PUBLIC CLOCK.

Paid Charles A. Fox, for dials	$38 00
J. N. Tilton,	37 00
	$75 00

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	$2,009 16
Received G. C. Blaisdell, collector, 1892	21 16
G. C. Blaisdell, collector, 1893	160 62
H. B. Ladd, collector, 1894	117 22
E. T. Brown, collector, 1896	7,824 58
Town clerk, dog license	154 90
County of Rockingham	821 51
State railroad tax	142 09
Savings bank tax	994 67
Literary fund	108 50
Bounty on hawks	7 50
Water commissioners	1,177 49
Town clerk, license on pool table	28 50
Sale of grass on common	2 60
Nat Tasker, rent of land	10 00
Rent of town hall	3 00
Borrowed money	5,000 00
Town of Deerfield	66 81
D. A. Smart, for apples	3 00
A. W. Brown, for lead and oil	12 21
Sale of lots in Pine Grove cemetery	60 00
	$18,725 52

EXPENDITURES.

Outstanding bills	$ 445 24
Town charges	4,605 43
School money	1,862 50
School house repairs	100 00
School supplies	201 99
Abatements	191 01
Highways and bridges	2,579 58
Damage by dogs	18 50
Bounties on hawks	8 50
Electric lights	445 02
State tax	960 00
County tax	1,012 22
Town aid to dependent soldiers and families	216 12
County aid to dependent soldiers and families	451 14

Pine Grove cemetery	30 00
Sundry bills on account of Water Works	2,338 54
Interest on notes and interest on water bonds	952 00
	$16,417 79

STATEMENTS.

ASSETS.

Cash in hand H. B. Ladd, collector, 1894	$37 10
Due from sale of lots in Pine Grove cemetery	60 00
Due from County of Rockingham	4 50
Due from town of Deerfield	60 00
Due from water service	40 58
Cash in hands of treasurer	1,564 46
	$1,766 64

LIABILITIES.

Water bonds	$25,100 00
Notes and interest	4,144 90
	$29,244 90
Increase of debt on account of water system	$2,113 05
Town debt, Feb. 15, 1897	27,478 26

PLUMMER B. CORSON,
JAMES F. GOVE,
AARON W. BROWN.
} Selectmen of Raymond.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Road Agent and Water Commissioners' accounts of the town of Raymond, for the year ending February 15, 1897, have examined the said accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

WESLEY POORE,
IRVIN FOLSOM.
} Auditors.

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT.

SNOW BILL, 1896.

Account of William A. Elliott, with the Town of Raymond.

	DR.	CR.
Andrew C. Smith, labor on highway	$1 50	
S. J. Gove, 16 hours shoveling snow	2 40	
John T. Currier, shoveling snow	60	
J. M. Anderson, shoveling snow	1 95	
Mark Scribner, 300 feet oak bridge stringers, 12M,	3 60	
Mark Scribner, 25 loads of gravel	2 00	
Charles F. Poor, 4 hours work with horse and cart	1 00	
A. G. Brown, 7 hours labor on highway	1 05	
E. S. Healey, shoveling snow	2 63	
Blake Roberts, 18 hours shoveling snow	2 70	
William Roberts, shoveling snow	97	
Henry D. French, breaking roads and shoveling snow	8 75	
George C. Prescott, shoveling snow	2 10	
James A. Heath, 5 hours work on highway	75	
George Smart, 5 hours work on Griffin B.	75	
H. G. Whittier, 8 hours shoveling snow	1 20	
H. G. Whittier, 2 hours with team	40	
L. Morrison, 2 hours shoveling snow	30	
Albert Hardy, 6 hours work on highway	90	
George W. Gilman, shoveling snow 6 hours	90	
J. A. Lane, repairing highway	5 00	
E. S. Smart, labor on highway	1 50	
W. A. Elliott, 500 ft. of plank at $10M	5 00	
to work on bridges with pair horses, and shoveling snow	9 80	
Services as road agent	5 00	
J. P. Brown, 12 hours shoveling snow	1 80	

A. B. Robinson, 5 hours shoveling snow	75	
By cash		30 00
Balance		35 30
	$65 30	$65 30
By cash to balance	35 30	

Raymond, N. H., Feb. 18, 1897.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Raymond, have examined the account of William A. Elliott, road agent for 1896, ending March 10, 1896, and find these properly cast, but not properly vouched.

WESLEY POORE, } Auditors.
IRVIN FOLSOM. }

Account of H. A. Brown with the Town of Raymond.

MONTH ENDING MARCH 31, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
L. J. Gove, 4 days and 2 hours work on highway	$ 6 30	
Isaac Sweeney, 3 days and 2 hours work on highway	4 80	
H. A. Brown, 4 days and 2 hours work with pair of horses on the highway	16 80	
George H. Roberts, 2 1-2 days work on highway	3 75	
	$31 65	
FOR BRIDGES.		
Brought forward	$31 65	
L. J. Gove, 3 hours work on Ferry bridge	45	
Isaac Sweeney, 3 hours work on Ferry bridge	45	
H. A. Brown, 3 hours work on Ferry bridge, with pair horses	1 20	
J. P. Brown, 1 stringer for Ferry bridge	75	
1 cask of spikes	3 50	
By cash		100 00
Balance	62 00	
	$100 00	$100 00

MONTH ENDING APRIL 30, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
Isaac Sweeney, 3 days work on highway	$4 50	
H. A. Brown, 3 days work on highway, with pair horses	12 00	
3 days work with 4 horses	21 00	
L. J. Gove, 1 days work on highway	1 50	
George Gilman, 4 days work on highway	6 00	
Robert Meek, 4 days work on highway	6 00	
E. L. Smart, 6 1-2 days work on highway	9 75	
George H. Roberts, 6 1-2 days work on highway	9 75	
Fred Dearborn, 2 days work on highway	3 00	
	$73 50	

BRIDGES.

	DR.	CR.
Brought forward	$73 50	
Isaac Sweeney, 10 1-2 days work on Dudley bridge	15 75	
Dana B. Cram, 16 days work on Dudley bridge	24 00	
G. McClure, 20 days work on Dudley bridge	30 00	
Sherb Gove, 15 days work on Dudley bridge	22 50	
H. A. Brown, 1 trip to Exeter	2 00	
9 1-2 days work with pair horses on Dudley bridge	38 00	
2 1-2 days work on Dudley bridge	3 75	
2 days work with 4 horses on Dudley bridge	14 00	
L. J. Gove, 9 days work on Dudley bridge	13 50	
T. F. McClure, 17 1-2 days work on Dudley bridge	26 25	
J. W. Harriman, 1 trip to Exeter after derrick	6 00	
George Gilman, 1 day and 7 hours work on Dudley bridge	2 53	
J. R. Staples, 16 days work with derrick on Dudley bridge	64 00	
Robert Meek, 6 1-2 days work on Dudley bridge	9 75	
E. L. Smart, 3 days work on Dudley bridge	4 50	
George H. Roberts, 1 days work on Dudley bridge	1 50	
George H. Hardy, 11 days work on Dudley bridge	16 50	
Fred Dearborn, 1 days work on Dudley bridge	1 50	

O. W. Fellows, sharpening tools	7 68	
By cash on hand		62 00
By cash received		300 00
Balance		15 21
	$377 21	$377 21

MONTH ENDING MAY 30, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
Balance over	$15 21	
H. A. Brown, 1-2 day with pair horses on highway	2 00	
11 days work with four horses	77 00	
2 days, 8 hours work with 6 horses	26 60	
Robert Meek, 13 days, 8 hours work on highway	20 70	
Fred Dearborn, 12 days, 8 hours work on highway	19 20	
E. L. Smart, 14 days work on highway	21 00	
George H. Roberts, 13 days, 8 hours work on highway	20 70	
George Robinson, 5 days work on highway	7 50	
Josiah Robinson, 13 days, 8 hours work on highway	20 70	
George Gilman, 12 days, 3 hrs. work on highway	18 45	
Charles Poor, express on casting	45	
John B. Varick & Co., powder and fuse	54	
Isaac Sweeney, 6 days, 8 hours work on highway	10 20	
Frank Roberts, 6 days, 8 hours work on highway	10 20	
George McClure, 9 days work on highway	13 50	
John Hill, 5 days, 8 hours work on highway	8 70	
George Tyler & Co., cutter and bolts for road machine	8 50	
A. W. Brown, repairing road machine	6 00	
	$307 15	

BRIDGES.

George H. Hardy, 5 days work on Dudley bridge	7 50	
T. F. McClure, 3 days work on Dudley bridge	4 50	
George McClure, 5 days work on Dudley bridge	7 50	

J. R. Staples, 2 days work on Dudley bridge with derrick	8 00	
H. A. Brown, 1-2 day with 4 horses, hauling plank for Dudley bridge	3 50	
3 1-2 days work with pair horses on Dudley bridge	14 00	
Robert Meek, 1-2 day work on Dudley bridge	75	
Fred Dearborn, 4 days work on Dudley bridge	6 00	
1 trip to Exeter with tools	2 50	
Frank B. Grout, 1-2 day work on Dudley bridge	75	
Board of Joseph Staples	10 00	
P. B. Corson, 7 stringers for Dudley bridge, 1718 ft. at $20.00	34 36	
630 ft. of railing for Dudley bridge, at $12	7 56	
	$106 92	
Highway	307 15	
	$414 07	
By cash		400 00
Balance		14 07
	$414 07	$414 07

MONTH ENDING JUNE 30, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
Balance over	$14 07	
H. A. Brown, 16 days, 7 hours work on highway, with 6 horses	158 65	
Oil for machine	35	
1 day with 2 horses	4 00	
Robert Meek, 17 days, 8 hours work on highway	26 70	
Fred Dearborn, 15 days, 3 hours work on highway	22 95	
George Gilman, 15 days, 9 hours work on highway	23 85	
E. L. Smart, 15 days, 3 hours work on highway	22 95	
George H. Roberts, 16 days, 3 hours work on highway	24 45	
Frank Roberts, 4 days, 9 hours work on highway	7 35	

John Hill, 15 days, 8 hours work on highway	23 70
George McClure, 14 days, 3 hours work on highway	21 45
Josiah Robinson, 16 days, 8 hours work on highway	25 20
Isaac Sweeney, 14 days, 9 hours work on highway	22 35
Saint John, 5 days, 9 hours work on highway	8 85
Charles Poor, 1 day work on highway	1 50
Edgar Poor, 1 day work on highway	1 50
John W. L. Roby, 1 day, 9 hours work on highway	2 85
Elbridge Dearborn, 11 days, 3 hours work on highway	16 95
John Pollard, 4 days, 9 hours work on highway	7 35
Lorenzo York, 1 day, 9 hours work on highway	2 85
Arthur Smart, 1 1-2 days work on highway	2 25
	$442 12

BRIDGES.

H. A. Brown, 2 days, 6 1-2 hours work on Pecker's bridge, with pair of horses	10 60
1 day work on Smart bridge, with pair of horses	4 00
Robert Meek, 2 days, 6 1-2 hours work on Pecker's bridge	3 97
1 day work on Smart bridge	1 50
Fred Dearborn, 1 day, 6 hours work on Pecker's bridge	2 40
1 day work on Smart bridge	1 50
1 day work on Corson bridge	1 50
George Gilman, 1-2 day work on Corson bridge	75
E. L. Smart, 1-2 day work on Corson bridge	75
Frank Roberts, 6 1-2 hours work on Pecker's bridge	97
1 day work on Smart bridge	1 50
George McClure, 1 day work on Corson bridge	1 50
1 day, 6 1-2 hours work on Pecker's bridge	2 47
Isaac Sweeney, 6 1-2 hours work on Pecker's bridge	97
Elbridge Dearborn, 1 day work on Pecker's bridge	1 50

1 day work on Smart bridge	1 50	
Arthur Smart, 1 day work on Pecker's bridge	1 50	
1 day work on Smart bridge	1 50	
George H. Hardy, 1 day, 6 1 2 hours on Pecker's bridge	2 47	
1 day work on Smart bridge	1 50	
J. P. Brown, 1 days work on Pecker's bridge	1 50	
2 casks of spikes	7 00	
Frank York, 1 day work on Smart bridge	1 50	
	$54 35	
Highway	442 12	
By cash		400 00
Balance		96 47
	$496 47	$496 47

MONTH ENDING JULY 30, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
Balance over	$96 47	
Robert Meek, 2 1-2 days work on highway	3 75	
Frank Roberts, 3 days work on highway	4 50	
George McClure, 1-2 day work on highway	75	
Isaac Sweeney, 3 days, 3 hours work on highway	4 95	
Elbridge Dearborn, 3 days work on highway	4 50	
Arthur Smart, 1 day work on highway	1 50	
George H. Hardy, 3 days work on highway	4 50	
Frank York, 1-2 day work on highway	75	
H. A. Brown, 6 days, 8 hours work on highway with pair horses	27 20	
1 day work with 4 horses	7 00	
Fred Dearborn, 4 days, 3 hours work on highway	6 45	
John Hill, 2 days, 6 1-2 hours work on highway	3 97	
N. Bradley, 11 hours work on highway	1 65	

BRIDGES.

	DR.	CR.
P. B. Corson, 852 ft. railing for Pecker's bridge	$10 22	
470 ft. railing for Smart bridge	5 64	
321 ft. railing for Whittier bridge, at $12	3 85	

3 stringers for Corson bridge	35	10
20 stringers for Pecker's bridge	145	60
4 stringers for Branch bridge	14	72
1 stringer for Griffin bridge	6	24
3 stringers for Smart bridge	15	60
5000 ft. plank for Pecker bridge at 17 1-2 cents a foot	87	50
1748 ft. of plank for Whittier bridge	30	59
1844 ft. of plank for Branch bridge	32	87
5160 ft. of plank for Smart bridge	90	30
700 ft. oak plank at $13 for Dudley bridge	9	10
H. A. Brown, 1-2 day work with pair horses on Griffin's bridge	2	00
1 day work on Whittier and Branch bridges with pair horses	4	00
1-2 day work on Fordway bridge	2	00
1 1-2 days work on Ed Smith's bridge with pair of horses	6	00
1-2 day work on Fessenden bridge with pair horses	2	00
1 day hauling plank for bridges on the Cilley road	4	00
Robert Meek, 1-2 day work on Smart bridge		75
1-2 day work on Fessenden bridge		75
George McClure, 1-2 day work on Griffin bridge		75
1-2 day work on Branch bridge		75
1-2 day work on Whittier bridge		75
1-2 day work on Fordway bridge		75
12 hours work on Ed Smith's bridge	1	80
Arthur Smart, 1-2 day work on Branch bridge		75
1-2 day work on Whittier bridge		75
George H. Hardy, 1 day work on Smart bridge	1	50
1-2 day work on Griffin bridge		75
1-2 day work on Branch bridge		75
1-2 day work on Whittier bridge		75
1-2 day work on Fessenden bridge		75
Frank York, 1-2 day work on Griffin bridge		75
1 day work on Smart bridge	1	50
1-2 day work on Branch bridge		75
1-2 day work on Whittier bridge		75
Fred Dearborn, 1 day work on Smart bridge	1	50
1-2 day work on Griffin bridge		75
1-2 day work on Branch bridge		75

1-2 day work on Whittier bridge	75	
A. G. Whittier, 978 ft. of plank for Ed Smith's bridge at $12M	11 72	
	$528 85	
Highways	167 94	
By cash		750 00
Balance	53 21	
	$750 00	$750 00

MONTH ENDING AUGUST 31, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
Balance		$53 21
H. A. Brown, 1-2 day work on New street with 4 horses	$ 3 50	
1-2 day work on New street	75	
2 1-2 days work on highway with pair of horses	10 00	
2 days work on highway, with 4 horses	14 00	
9 hours work on New street, with pair of horses	3 60	
Isaac Sweeney, 2 days work on New street	3 00	
Fred Dearborn, 6 days, 4 hours work on highway	9 60	
George Stevens, 5 days, 4 hours work on highway	8 10	
John B. Varick, 3 lbs. of blasting powder	54	
John Pollard, 1 day work on highway	1 50	
P. Berubie, grading for highway	1 00	
BRIDGES.		
H. A. Brown, 1-2 day work, with 4 horses on Freetown bridge	3 50	
Fred Dearborn, 1-2 day on Freetown bridge	75	
Balance		6 63
	$59 84	$59 84

MONTH ENDING SEPT. 31, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
Balance	$ 6 63	
Fred Dearborn, 9 days work on highway	13 50	
George Stevens, 11 days work on highway	16 50	

H. A. Brown, 3 days, 2 hours work on highway, with pair horses	12 80	
1-2 day work on highway	75	
C. T. Poore, 2 days work on highway	3 00	
Mark Scribner, gravel for highway	2 00	
D. C. Healey, 1 day work on highway	1 50	
Albert L. Mills, potato digger	45	
Wrench	45	
Oil	8	
BRIDGES.		
Fred Dearborn, 2 hours work on Pecker bridge	30	
George Stevens, 1-2 day work on Freetown bridge	75	
H. A. Brown, 2 hours work on Pecker bridge, with pair horses	80	
1 trip to Exeter, with derrick	4 00	
Albert L. Mills, 10 lbs. spikes	40	
By cash		55 00
Balance		8 91
	$63 91	$63 91

MONTH ENDING OCT. 31, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
Balance	$8 91	
Fred Dearborn, 1-2 day work on highway	75	
George Stevens, 1-2 day on highway	75	
O. W. Fellows, sharpening tools	5 65	
BRIDGES.		
J. P. Brown, 500 ft. pine boards at 1 1-2 cents per foot for Pecker bridge	7 50	
25 lbs. nails	1 00	
George H. Hardy, 2 days labor on Pecker and Smart bridges	3 00	
George McClure, 1 day work on Pecker and Smart bridge	1 50	
Fred Dearborn, 9 days labor on Freetown bridge	13 50	
1-2 day to Epping with derrick	75	

George Stevens, 9 1-2 days labor on Freetown bridge	14 25	
Lewis Griffin, 400 ft. of pine boards at 1 1-2 cents per foot for Smart bridge	6 00	
400 ft. of pine boards for Freetown bridge	6 00	
10 ft. of plank for Griffin bridge	15	
Splitting plank	25	
Moses B. Hall, 2 days labor on Freetown bridge,	6 00	
5 days labor, with derrick	20 00	
Fred Hall, 7 days labor on Freetown bridge	14 00	
Arthur Smart, 2 days, 3 hours labor on Freetown bridge	3 45	
Orren West, lighting lantern for Freetown bridge	1 50	
H. A. Brown, 1 day, 8 hours work on Pecker bridge	7 20	
4 railing sticks	80	
To Epping after derrick	2 00	
9 1-2 days labor on Freetown bridge, with pair of horses	38 00	
1 1-2 days labor on bridge	2 25	
Pair of horses to Epping with derrick	1 25	
Wesley Poore, 187 ft. of boards at 1 1-2 cents per foot	2 80	
Mill work and other work on bridges	1 00	
Lighting lantern	70	
P. B. Corson, 6 stringers for Freetown bridge	40 44	
5300 ft. of plank at $17.50 per M.	92 75	
291 ft. of railing at $12.00 per M.	3 49	
By cash to balance		307 39
	$307 39	$307 39

MONTH ENDING NOV. 30, 1896.

	DR.	CR.
George H. Hardy, 2 days labor on highway	$3 00	
Will Stevens, 2 days labor on highway	3 00	
H. A. Brown, 3 days, 1 hour labor on highway, with pair of horses	12 40	
1-2 day labor on highway	75	
Arthur Smart, 2 days, 9 hours labor on highway	4 35	

George Smart, 7 hours labor on highway	1 05	
Benjamin Davis, 7 hours labor on highway	1 05	
Addison Whittier, 405 ft. of plank at 1 1-2 cents per foot for Cassey	6 07	
By cash to balance		31 67
	$31 67	$31 67

SNOW BILLS, 1897.

	DR.	CR.
Will Sturtevant, shoveling snow	$ 1 20	
E. F. Barrett, shoveling snow	1 20	
W. Sargent, breaking road	1 20	
A. E. Lawrence, shoveling snow	1 20	
A. R. Batchelder, breaking road	1 95	
Moses M. Batchelder, breaking road in 1896	2 00	
J. L. Jones, breaking road and sidewalk and shoveling snow in 1896	8 00	
Blake Roberts, shoveling snow in 1896	2 00	
J. L. Jones, taking staples and tools up to Dudley bridge	2 50	
Frank B. Grout, waste of drills and wedges	1 25	
Mark Scribner, 5 loads of gravel	50	
E. K. Dearborn, breaking road	2 55	
Walter J. Dudley, breaking road	5 60	
41 3-4 lbs. drills at 20 cents	8 35	
Keeping lantern on highway	2 50	
Lumber used on bridge	1 00	
H. A. Brown, breaking roads, shoveling snow	5 10	
Services as road agent	5 00	
A. C. Smith, breaking roads	4 00	
P. B. Corson, breaking roads	5 02	
David Griffin, breaking roads, shoveling snow	9 00	
E. S. Healey, breaking roads	5 00	
Lewis C. Brown, breaking roads	4 80	
George B. Sawyer, shoveling snow	2 40	
Josiah Robinson, shoveling snow	60	
George E. McClure, shoveling snow	30	
George Davis, shoveling snow	45	
E. L. Smart, shoveling snow	45	
Andrew Prescott, shoveling snow	1 20	

Frank J. Welch, breaking roads and sidewalk and shoveling snow	14 10	
M. V. B. Gile, breaking road,	6 00	
Labor on highway	2 00	
J. W. Harriman, breaking road	6 30	
L. J. Gove, breaking road	4 50	
W. G. Brown, breaking roads and shoveling snow	20 90	
B. S. Maloon, breaking roads	5 85	
By cash to balance		145 97
	$145 97	$145 97

Raymond, N. H., Feb. 18, 1897.

We, the undersigned, Auditors of the town of Raymond, for the year 1897, ending Feb. 15, 1897, find the accounts of H. A. Brown, road agent, properly vouched and correctly cast.

Wesley Poor,
Irvin Folsom. } Auditors.

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand from Treasurer, 1895	$2009 16
G. C. Blaisdell, Col., 1892-3	181 78
H. B. Ladd, Col., 1894	117 22
E. T. Brown, Col., 1896	7824 58
Selectmen, 1896	7231 89
Water Commissioner,	1177 49
Dog License	154 90
Pool License	28 50
	$18,725 52

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State tax	960 00
County tax	1012 22
School money	2117 44
Highways and bridges,	2579 58
Interest and Interest on bonds,	948 00
Sundry orders of Selectmen,	7201 28
Sundry orders of Selectmen for Water Works,	2342 54
Cash in hands of Treasurer	1564 46
	$18,725 52

F. E. Page, Treasurer.

Report of Water Commissioners.

When the pumps were started in October, 1893, it was found that for some reason, not then apparent, they did not run as smoothly, nor at as high a rate of speed as was expected or desired. There seemed to be a great quantity of air in the suction pipe which, coming along with the water, interf red with their action and compelled them to be run at a very low rate of speed. To remedy this defect a larger vacuum pump was procured to be used in connection with the one then in use, which helped to take up the air, as it came along, and considerably increased the efficiency of the pumps. Yet it was found that while the water for daily use could be pumped without great difficulty, though a longer time for pumping was consumed than had been contemplated, they would be of but little use in case of fire occurring when the water in the standpipe was low, or at any time when for any purpose it should not be in use, or when there was a large fire. The gravity of the situation has ever been apparent to us, and great pains have been taken to keep the standpipe full or nearly so. Various experiments have been tried in endeavoring to locate and remedy the defect. In the fall of 1894 it was found, from experiments conducted at the wells, that when the number of wells in use was reduced by shutting them off, the pumps ran with greater difficulty and more slowly, and that the rate of speed was correspondingly increased as they were again connected and the number in use increased. We thereupon determined to increase the number of wells. Operations to this end were begun the next year and fifteen new wells were completed and added to the system during this year. The result of the work was eminently satisfactory. The following is taken from the note book of the writer for August 8, 1896, the time when the new wells were connected with the system: "When the pumps had run a few minutes they were going quite smoothly, the large one at the rate of 58 strokes per minute, but when the attempt was made to run it at greater speed it 'pounded.' There were 18 old wells connected at this time. Then we let on all of the new wells at once. The vacuum pumps immediately slowed up and the large pump, without change of steam went to 76 strokes

per minute. Both vacuum pumps were then taking water, the air having been exhausted. The little vacuum pump was then stopped, and with the other vacuum pump alone, the large pump made 80 strokes per minute, easily and smoothly."

Since this time the large pump has been run at a speed of upwards of 90 strokes per minute, quite smoothly, its ordinary speed rate being about 50 per cent higher than before the new wells were added.

An opportunity was given when the new wells were made for putting in a gate above the old well system upon the suction pipe, omitted when the wells were made, which was done. A gate was also put into each branch of the new well system and another close to the suction main so that now, each well being provided with a separate gate, in case of accident or for the purpose of repairs, any part of the well system may be shut off and the water taken from the remainder.

There has been a desire on the part of the people living on the new highway near the school house in district No. 8, to have the water system extended over that highway. This would require about 900 feet of pipe and would furnish water to six families now living on this highway. There is still another house there in process of construction and should the water be carried over there it is quite probable that others would follow. There is also a desire on the part of the people living on Harriman road to have it extended over that road for their use and protection, and the attention of the people of the town will probably soon be called to consider these requests; and, perhaps, in this connection, it may not be amiss to remark that in the consideration of these propositions the fact should be borne in mind, that should the contemplated extensions be made, the interest on the cost of the extensions will be about all the expense which the town will have to meet annually in consequence of making them. The cost of pumping the water and the other running expenses of the water department will not be perceptibly increased thereby, while the interest account itself may be largely offset by the increased value of taxable property along the line. In the report of the water commissioners for 1896, attention was called to the financial policy which has been pursued in defraying the interest which has accrued upon the water debt. Many supposed the town had raised the money by taxation and had paid the interest upon the bonds in this way, and we are constrained to think that very many citizens now suppose that the high taxes we have been paying were in

consequence of payments which the town had made towards the water works. Such is not the case. The only money which has been paid without first borrowing it, is that paid by the patrons of the water system to the water commissioners and turned over by them to the town treasurer. This money has been applied by the selectmen to the payment of water bills as they may have desired. Other than this there has never been, as we understand it, any money paid in by the citizens of the town towards the water works. No money raised by taxation has ever been applied, by authority from the town, to the payment of any bills or interest upon any bills contracted by the water department. The payment of interest was begun about three years ago by money borrowed for the purpose and we have, ever since, been borrowing the money needed to pay interest as it accrued. We are now, therefore, paying, or about to pay, interest several times compounded. There should be no more delay about this matter but we should at once proceed upon a course more in accord with the principles of sound finance.

It has been estimated that the cost of the public water privileges, which the water department furnish to the citizens of the town, if procured from a corporation other than the town, would be $980 per year, which includes the public watering trough, fountain, hydrants and cemetery use made free by vote of the town last year. Now, if the town should vote to raise this sum each year, it would be more than sufficient when used in connection with the income from other uses of water to meet the entire running expenses annually. In fact, had it been done this year, we could have paid these expenses and also have returned to the town treasurer the sum of $155.10 in addition thereto. And this would have been done without taking into account the sum of $40.58 now due from water takers and unpaid.

The system is now in good working order. The increase in receipts from water rates over last year, notwithstanding the fact that the use of water in Pine Grove cemetery has since been made free, is gratifying, and a further increase in receipts may be confidently expected as time goes on. The tables follow, all of which is respectfully sumitted.

John T. Bartlett,
O. W. Fellows,
True M. Gould.
} Water Commissioners.

Bills as follows have been approved:

John J. Littlefield	$ 3 00
B. F. Davis	2 25
Horace A. Tuttle	3 00
Fred A. Coffin	1 50
Chase, Chamberlain & Co.	250 00
Walworth Mfg. Co.	678 59
Albert L. Mills	13 51
John S. Ladd & Co.	3 60
John H. Ham	1 35
B. F. Davis	30 75
John D. Pollard	32 25
Albert N. Pollard	12 75
Clark J. Davis	13 50
George E. McClure	3 00
Cyrus M. Roberts	3 30
W. H. Bailey	3 41
Hiber R. Brown	4 20
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co.	16 51
Cecil E. Ham	57 75
C. Poore	1 45
J. J. Littlefield	2 25
J. W. Dodge	4 76
Chase, Chamberlain & Co.	22 88
W. A. Murtfieldt	12 00
Fifield & Whittier	22 92
W. A. Murtfieldt	6 00
Daniel Littlefield	9 50
Willard E. Paul	36 46
John T. Bartlett	140 00
Chase, Chamberlain & Co.	250 00
J. S. Whittier	5 00
T. M. Gould	56 83
O. W. Fellows	35 00
J. T. Bartlett	66 87
O. W. Fellows	19 13
	$1,825 27

The following are the amounts of all the bills approved by the water commissioners to this date:

In 1893–4 $23,193 56

In 1894–5	3,863 62	
In 1895–6	1,669 14	
In 1896–7	1,825 27	
		$30,551 59
From this deduct bills for repairs, running expenses, items of cash received from pipe and other materials sold, as follows:		
In 1893–4	$ 782 85	
In 1894–5	1,323 66	
In 1895–6	927 83	
In 1896-7	974 61	
		4,008 95
Total cost of water system to date		$26,542 64

BALANCE SHEET FOR 1896–7.

The water system is debited as follows:

Cost of construction:		
To Feb. 15, 1896	$25,692 08	
To Feb. 15, 1897	865 56	
Interest to Feb. 15, 1897	1,027 68	
Repairs to Feb. 15, 1897	119 38	
Running expenses to Feb. 15, 1897	801 65	
Paid for service pipe to Feb. 15, 1897	38 68	
Net income	195 58	
		$28,740 61

The water system is credited as follows:

Value of water system	$26,542 64	
Water rates received	1,131 48	
Service pipe sold	31 01	
Water tank sold	15 00	
Fire protection	920 00	
Public use	60 00	
Due from water takers	40 48	
		$28,740 61

ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

SCHOOL BOARD

—OF THE—

TOWN OF RAYMOND, N. H.

For the Year ending Feb. 15, 1897.

TABLE No. 1.

Schools.	Number of School.	TEACHERS.	Terms of school.	Number of weeks of school.	Number of pupils registered.	Per cent of daily attendance.	Average daily attendance.	Visits by School Board.	Visits by citizens.	Total amount paid teachers.
High,		Harry S. Clark	1	12	50					
		Clara A Lane, Asst.								
Grammar,	8	Clara A. Lane	2	21	33	.9583	23	7	49	$189.00
Intermediate	"	Effie A. Brackett,	2	25	35	.9590	24	7	46	212.50
Primary,	"	Jennie M. Brackett,	2	25	33	.9805	25	7	65	212.50
School,	3	Eva D. Smith,	1	12	11	.8888	8	3	49	84.00
"	"	Eva L. Rollins,	1	13	13	.6000	6	4	7	78.00
"	4	Etta M. Brown,	2	25	10	.8125	7	7	31	175.00
"	6	Alice M. Beane	1	12	12	.9890	11	4	23	84,00
"	"	Eva D. Smith,	1	13	14	.9090	11	3	75	91.00
"	7	Bertha M. Rand,	2	25	14	.8333	12	7	41	175.00
"	9	Susie M. Gillingham,	2	25	23	.9047	19	7	51	175.00
Total for 19 Raymond children in Candia schools, - - - -										159 01
Total for 2 Raymond children in Chester schools, - - -										15.00

TABLE No. 2.

SCHOOL.	Number of School.	STUDIES.											
		Reading and Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	History.	Composition.	Physiology.	Book-keeping,	Algebra.	Latin.	French.
High - - -		50	50	50	17	42	16	7	1		8		11
Grammar - - -	8	33	33	33	28	29	1	4	15	3	3		
Intermediate - - -	"	35	35	35	35	35		35	35				
Primary - - -	"	33	33	27	12								
School, - - -	3	13	7	11	3	4			2				
" - - - -	4	10	10	9	9	5					1		
" - - - -	6	14	13	13	9	4	3				2		
" - - -	7	14	14	12	7	5			8		1		
" - - - -	9	18	15	15	8	9	3		7				

ROLL OF HONOR.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE DURING THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR.

Donald Smith
Irving B. Morrison
Arthur G. Brown
Fred Sinclair
Eddie Wilkinson
Frank Batchelder
Dora Roberts
Grace Sinclair
Lucinda Davis
Jeanine Jones
Clara Wallace
Lillian Pollard
Elsie M. Batchelder.

DURING ONE SCHOOL TERM.

Harry Elliott
Adelbert Lane
Eddie Wallace
Eddie Wilkinson
Charlie Avery
Edward Shaw
George L Brown
Raymond B. Robie
Fred Lyman
Frank Lyman
Byron O. Smith
Vernon Batchelder
James S. Batchelder
Clarence Atwood
Howard Benson
Albert Elliott
Bessie Bartlett
Eva Fontaine
Imogene C. Roberts
Elsie Smart
Arvilla Thompson
Edna Roberts
Annie B. West
Sadie A. French
Myrtie Brown
Grace Sanborn
Clara Wallace
Ethel Welch
Luran Tilton
Grace Smart
Ada L. Bartlett
Elizabeth H. Thompson
Dana Towle.

We feel it our duty to thank the town on behalf of the sehools that through its munificence we have been able to have twenty-five weeks of school, which is not quite the thirty weeks recommended in our last report. However, this is an increase of two weeks over last year and is a step in the right direction.

Appropriations for improvements in various lines throughout the town have been made during the last year, none of which will yield returns to be compared to the funds allotted our public schools.

It costs no more, when once in session, for the care and oversight for a term of school twelve weeks long than for one eight,

i. e. it takes no more time for a teacher to become acquainted with the scholars and to prepare for examination day in a long term than in a short one, consequently the gain to the pupils is of the greatest importance.

This pertinent question closely follows: Shall we allow that which we know to be right to lag for want of support by our citizens ?

We wish that every parent would ask himself or herself these questions. Am I doing all I can for the schools? Am I doing all I can to assist my children mentally ? Have I done all I could to assist the teacher by urging the children to comply with her requests ? Have I visited the school often and looked for the good points instead of the bad ones ? Above all, have I been careful that my children have not been absent more than absolutely necessary ?

When parents can honestly answer the foregoing questions in the affirmative we can have better schools.

The success of our schools depends vastly more upon parents than teachers.

The teachers all seem to have done earnest, conscientious and successful work.

The schools appeared to be well disciplined and good results were attained which might have been more pronounced had there been more interest on the part of some parents in the regularity of their children's attendance.

There has been marked improvement in the High school, the number of pupils being nearly double the number there was two years ago and the work has been very thorough.

Mr. Clark and Miss Lane seem to have taken deep interest in the school and their work, we feel, is deserving of praise.

It may seem to some that there ought to have been a greater increase in the length of the schools, but since the literary fund has greatly depreciated and the dog tax is not available until April first we have had only a small amount more than last year to apply to schools.

E. T. BROWN,
JOHN B. BROWN,
GEORGE B. SAWYER,
School Board.

Raymond, N. H., Feb. 19, 1897.

School Board Treasurer's Report.

Received unexpended balance 1895-6		$297 41	
From Town Treasurer school money in part for 1896-7		1862 50	
From sale of school supplies		1 65	
Amount raised for repairs		100 00	
			$2261 56
Paid Harry S. Clark, salary as teacher	$105 00		
J. B. Brown, salary as teacher	75 00		
Clara A. Lane "	285 00		
Jennie M. Brackett "	212 50		
Alice M. Beane "	84 00		
Effie A. Brackett "	212 50		
Eva D. Smith "	175 00		
Susie M. Gillingham "	175 00		
Bertha M. Rand "	175 00		
Etta M. Brown "	175 00		
Eva L. Rollins "	78 00		
Town of Candia	159 01		
Town of Chester	15 00		
		1926 01	
TRANSPORTATION.			
Simon Page	52 50		
Susie M. Gillingham	12 50		
		65 00	
CARE OF ROOMS.			
Clarence Davis	1 50		
James B. Farley	5 50		
Emma F. Titcomb	2 00		
G. W. Titcomb	7 00		
Mrs. Partridge	1 50		
Ivory Beane	1 00		
Charles H. Lane	2 75		
		21 25	
FUEL.			
J. B. Brown, wood	2 25		
J. W. L. Robie, fitting wood	75		
J. C. Spaulding, wood	10 25		

E.T. Brown, coal	$ 90	
D. C. Healey, wood	6 00	
M. V. B. Gile, wood	5 50	
J. W. L. Robie, wood	75	
J. T. Dudley, wood	4 50	
Sherb Gove, wood	5 50	
Lewis Morrison, wood	3 75	
John W. Robie, fitting wood	2 75	
A. G. Whittier, wood	5 00	
A. R. Batchelder, wood	4 50	
		60 40
H. S. Clark, supplies	10 75	
F. J. Welch, cartage	50	
Frank G. Roberts	1 50	
J. W. Dodge, brooms, &c.	95	
C. W. Prescott, brooms, &c.	95	
Town of Raymond, water	5 00	
		19 65

REPAIRS.

J. P. Brown, work	$ 7 75	
J. W. L. Robie, work	1 00	
Geo. L. Corson, work, &c.,	17 04	
A. L. Mills, pipe, &c.,	1 00	
Frank G. Roberts, work	60	
J. W. Dodge, stove pipe, &c.	12 09	
N. M. Sawyer, material to cover desk	1 00	
H. B. Ladd, work	2 50	
C. M. Roberts, work, &c.	2 96	
J. G. McQuestion Co., chairs	4 50	
Chas. Poore, freight	30	
F. J. Welch, cartage	50	
James Rendall, work	2 35	
Peter Avery, work, &c.,	75	
David Griffins & Sons, lumber	4 24	
A. W. Brown, work, &c.	6 00	
		$64 58
Unexpended balance of school money		69 25
Unexpended balance of repair money		35 42
		$2,261 56

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

American Crayon Co.	$4 00	
J. B. Varick Co.	6 82	
American Book Co.	18 56	
The Werner Co.	48 27	
S. C. Griggs & Co.	1 92	
E. C. Eastman	1 05	
R. G. Kimball	12 00	
Maynard, Merrill & Co.	60	
Joseph Gillott & Sons	4 65	
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn	8 37	
Boston School Supply Co.	74 25	
J. Arthur Williams	1 75	
C. J. Whiting	14 04	
Express, &c.	5 71	
		$201 99
Received from the town treasurer upon orders of the selectmen to pay the above bills		$201 99
	$2,463 99	$2,463 99

The balance of the school money in the hands of the town treasurer amounts to $246.00, including literary fund $108.50, the most of which will be needed to pay the expenses of the high school now in session.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. SAWYER,

Treasurer of Raymond school district.

RAYMOND, N. H., Feb. 19, 1897.

We, the undersigned, auditors of the school board accounts of the district of Raymond, N. H., for the year 1896, have attended to our duties and find the accounts properly cast and correctly vouched, with a balance of funds on hand, as follows:

School money	$69 25
Repair money	35 42
	$104 67

J. EARL LADD,
JOHN E. CRAM.

Report of Library Trustees.

1896.	Dr.	
Jan. 1.	To cash on hand	$14 02
Feb. 10.	To cash donated by Mrs. Frank Grout	1 00
Feb. 10.	To cash donated by Miss Mary Grout	1 00
April 8.	To cash donated by Dr. J. G. Brown, of Taunton, Mass.	25 00
Apr. 23.	To cash donated by Isaac N. Tucker, 479 Tremont street, Boston, Mass.	25 00
May 6.	To cash donated by B. F. Dudley, 28 Harvard street, Boston, Mass.	25 00
July 2.	To cash donated by David H. Brown, West Medford, Mass.	10 00
Sept. 7.	To cash from sale of bookcase	5 00
		$106 02

	Cr.	
Sept. 8.	By cash for bookcase	5 50
Dec. 31.	By cash paid for books during the year	25 00
Dec. 31.	By cash paid express charges on same	80
Dec. 31.	By cash insurance on library	2 19
Dec. 31.	By cash fuel, lights, care, &c., of library	15 00
Dec. 31.	By cash on hand	57 53
		$106 02

The trustees hold $157.60, which is the sum of library appropriation of 1895–6, and with the balance as shown above gives $215.13. They expect to buy new books sometime between Jan. 1 and Mar. 1. Notice will be given as soon as they are ready for circulation.

Geo. B. Sawyer,
H. Lewis Hardy, } Trustees.
L. O. Pollard.

Town Clerk's Report of Vital Statistics

For the Year Ending Decembar 31, 1896.

BIRTHS.

[Name of child, name of father and maiden name of mother.]

Jan. 8. Flossie Wills York, child of Frank G. York and Alice J. Roberts.

Feb. 8. , child of Sylvester Smart and Grace Munrowe.

Feb. 10. George Haselton, child of Charles W. Haselton and Hattie G. West.

Feb. 11. Russell Lee Brown, child of Walter W. Brown and Gertrude J. Sanborn.

Mar. 10. Edward Donald Dodge, child of John W. Dodge and Nettie P. Healey.

April 4. , child of Edward W. Davis and Helen Caldwell.

April 24. Arthur William Moody, child of William F. Moody and Clara Abbott.

May 5. Gladys Becca Poore, child of Frank G. Poore and Georgie Davis.

May 25. Helen Emily Brock, child of Charles I. Brock and Fannie S. Scribner.

June 17. , child of Fred Lyman and Jennie Bean.

July 19. , child of Charles W. Robinson and Lydia E. Davis.

July 19. Alvin Burton Roberts, child of Albert B. Roberts and Carrie E. Nutter.

July 24. Augusta May George, child of Perley T. George and Florence L. Rand.

July 30. Molly Louisa McClure, child of George E. McClure and Mary S. Gould.

Aug. 16. , child of Joseph A. Hardy and Lizzie A. West.

Sept. 3. Jennie Bell Hardy, child of Henry L. Hardy and Lilla B. Heath.

Sept. 4. Joseph Wilson Fisk, child of Mark M. Fisk and Nellie F. Meloon.

Sept. 20. Gladys May Corson, child of George L. Corson and Bessie B. Batchelder.

Oct. 16. Lottie Raymond, child of Fred Raymond and Rose Roberts.

Nov. 4. Leon McKinley Fontain, child of Paul C. Fontain and Fannie Cutten.

Nov. 7. , child of David Sinclare and Annie M. Wendell.

Nov. 12. Guy Henry Berry, child of Edward E. Berry and Bessie J. Abbott.

Dec. 31. Annie E. Brown, child of Albert N. Brown and Mary A. Clough.

MARRIAGES.

Jan. 31. Charles Stuart McDonald of Raymond and Amy Emma Colby. By J. Morey Bean, clergyman, Raymond.

Feb. 12. George H. Guptill and Lizzie C. True, both of Raymond. By Lucius H. Thayer, clergyman, Portsmouth.

Feb. 14. Fred Brown Dearborn and Jennie T. Hill, both of Raymond. By Frank E. Briggs, clergyman, Barrington.

Feb. 28. Harlan P. Goodrich of Raymond and Hattie J. Purington of Epping. By Albert H. Thompson, Raymond.

June 17. Louis Shepard Stevens of Raymond and Hattie Hall of Candia. By Theodore C. Pratt, clergyman, Candia.

Nov. 4. Frank C. Reynold of Epping and Eva Bell Gilman of Raymond. By J. Morey Bean, clergyman, Raymond.

Nov. 26. Edward W. Hilbourne and Anna R. Adams, both of Raymond. By J. E. Robins, clergyman, Dover.

DEATHS.

Date.	Name.	Age. Yrs.	Mos.	Days.
Jan. 13.	Sarah E. Barnes	56	9	15
Jan. 16.	Melinda Dearborn	73	8	13
Jan. 27.	Abbie Gove	84	8	13
Feb. 22.	Betsey Folsom	91		17
Feb. 29.	Flossie Wells York		1	17
Mar. 2.	John Smith	84	9	3
Mar. 2.	Samuel Swain	81	4	
Mar. 22.	Eliza True	54	7	4
May 24.	Betsey L. Batchelder	81		
July 2.	Mary Marden			
July 17.	Anna H. Scribner	86	6	
Aug. 4.	Richard Clough	70	8	
Sept. 1.	Amos Batchelder, Jr.	85	3	3
Sept. 28.	John M. Ballou	69	10	7
Oct. 5.	John W. Ladd	66	10	12
Nov. 2.	Hannah J. Carlton	86	3	3
Nov. 2.	Jane E. Bean	55	11	12
Nov. 4.	Sally Dudley Tucker	99		18
Nov. 21.	Eliza Corson	86	11	17
Nov. 27.	Mary E. Folsom	51	2	3

W. S. NELSON, Town Clerk.